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SUBJECT: REGIONAL PAO WORKSHOPS

1. AREA PLANNING SERIES OF FIVE REGIONAL PROGRAMMING WORKSHOPS IN OCTOBER/NOVEMBER PERIOD. CONFERENCES WILL LAUNCH IN EARNEST AF'S SUB-REGIONAL MANAGEMENT PLAN WITH COUNTRY AND PROGRAM OFFICERS PRESIDING OVER MEETINGS. NEITHER AREA DIRECTOR NOR DEPUTY DIRECTOR WILL ATTEND. PAO'S PLUS THOSE STATE OFFICERS WITH RESPONSIBILITY FOR ICA PROGRAMMING AT STATE OFFICERS WITH RESPONSIBILITY FOR ICA PROGRAMMING AT POSTS WITHOUT PAO'S INVITED. TENTATIVE DATES AND LOCATIONS:

--OCT 14-17 MONROVIA--GHANA, LIBERIA, NIGERIA, SIERRA LEONE.

--OCT 22-24 LOME--BENIN, GUINEA, IVORY COAST, MALI, MAURITANIA, NIGER, SENEGAL, TOGO, UPPER VOLTA, CAPE VERDE, GUINEA-BISSAU, GAMBIA.

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--OCT 29-31 DAR--BOTSWANNA, LESOTHO, MALAWI, MOZAMBIQUE, SOUTH AFRICA, SWAZILAND, TANZANIA, ZAMBIA.

--NOV 12-14 NAIROBI--BURUNDI, DJIBOUTI, ETHIOPIA, KENYA, MADAGASCAR, MAURITIUS, RWANDA, SEYCHELLES, SOMALIA, UGANDA.

--NOV 19-21 YAOUNDE--CAMEROON, CHAD, CAE, GABON, ZAIRE.

2. TENTATIVE AGENDA:

SUNDAY--

...STAGE-SETTER VTR DESIGNED TO BRING FIELD REPRESENTATIVES UP-TO-DATE ON ORGANIZATIONAL PROGRAMMING AND POLICY MATTERS AS SEEN FROM WASHINGTON PERSPECTIVE.
DISCUSSION SESSION LED BY COUNTRY OFFICERS TO ANSWER QUESTIONS RAISED BY VTR.

MONDAY--

...REVIEW OF NEW AGENCY PROGRAMMING PHILOSOPHY AND PROCEDURES, EXPLAINING ROLE OF ECA, PGM, AND ARS PARS.

...IDENTIFICATION OF ICA PUBLIC OVERSEAS (COMBINATION OF "INFLUENCE STRUCTURE ANALYSIS" AND "AUDIENCE IDENTIFICATION"). DISCUSSION SESSION.

...HOST AMBASSADOR, WHERE AVAILABLE, INVITED TO ADDRESS WORKING LUNCHEON.

...EVALUATION SESSION ON COUNTRY PLAN USING SELECTED COUNTRY PLAN AS MODEL--IDENTIFYING QUALITIES WHICH SHOULD BE BASIC TO EVERY POST PLANNING DOCUMENT.

...REVIEW OF REPORTING REQUIREMENTS, FOCUSING DISCUSSION ON HOW POST CAN PROVIDE IMPROVED FEEDBACK TO AGENCY PROGRAMMING AND MEDIA ELEMENTS.

...PAO REPORT ON BEST ASPECT OF RESPECTIVE POST PROGRAMMING.
TUESDAY--

...REVIEW OF SUB-REGIONAL PROJECT PROPOSALS AND RELEVANT PROGRAM DESIGNS, IDENTIFYING PROJECTS FOR SUB-REGIONAL COOPERATION...DEVELOP COOPERATIVE PROJECTS SCHEDULE, SPECIFYING DATES, INDIVIDUAL POST PARTICIPATION, AND AREA
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INPUT WHERE NECESSARY...ESTABLISH SYSTEM OF COMMUNICATION AND COORDINATION TO IMPLEMENT COOPERATIVE VENTURES.

...WRAP-UP SESSION TO EVALUATE WORKSHOP AND DRAFT ACTION RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AREA FOLLOW-UP.

...INDIVIDUAL CONFERENCES, AS REQUIRED.

...AFTERNOON DEPARTURE.

3. ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR ALICE ILCHMAN PLANS TO ATTEND THE LOME AND DAR CONFERENCES.

4...AF OFFICERS ATTENDING INCLUDE:

MONROVIA--COUNTRY OFFICER, PROGRAM OFFICER.

LOME--COUNTRY OFFICER, PROGRAM OFFICER, REG. PROJ. OFFICER.

DAR--COUNTRY OFFICER, PROGRAM OFFICER, REG. PROJ. OFFICER.

NAIROBI--COUNTRY OFFICER, PROGRAM OFFICER.

YAOUNDE--COUNTRY OFFICER, AF POLICY OFFICER.

5. POST OR EMBASSY SHOULD ABSORB TRAVEL COSTS AND PER DIEM FOR AUTHORIZED CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS. AGENCY WILL REIMBURSE UPON RECEIPT MGT/CB OF ACTUAL COSTS.

6. ACTION REQUESTED: PAO REQUESTED CABALE ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS OR OTHER SUGGESTIONS ATTN: RESPECTIVE COUNTRY OFFICER BEFORE COB SEPT 15.

7. CONFERENCE SITE POSTS REQUESTED MAKE ARRANGEMENTS (RESERVATIONS, MEETING PLACE). FURTHER DETAILS, INCLUDING

FISCAL ARRANGEMENTS, TO FOLLOW.
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